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# Cordial Tincture,

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**M**Y Reputation is so secure, that I fear not the Malice of some, nor the Emulation of others ; and I bless God, that has plac'd my Condition above Contempt. There is no Man that knows me, but knows, I do not this for need. This is one way to shew the World I am willing to do good, and not to hide so great a Light under a Bushel. He that has felt the intollerable Pain of the Stone and Collick, cannot but commiserate the like condition in others. And he that has miraculously been eased, and that often, by this Noble Medicine, can do no less than indeavour to free Mankind from such tormenting Maladies.

Who then can say, I detract from my self, by exposing this Noble Remedy, which in one Hour has eased me of the most violent Collick, and has brought from me a prodigious quantity of Gravel and small Stones? *Laus Deo.*

Many which have been helped by the powerful effects of this *Cordial Tincture*, have obliged me to prepare greater quantities, that I might be able to furnish those that daily require it of me. And not a few have offer'd to certifie the wonderful effects wrought on them by it ; but 'tis below me to accept of so mean a thing ; my own authority being

sufficient to give *Credit* to this, or any other *Medicine*.

But some will say, What need I put it in Print, for 'tis sufficiently known among Persons of Quality; and for the unthinking Crowd, they are not worth the saving?

Yes, Gentlemen, the very Poorest shall not want this Remedy; no Age nor Sex but shall have Comfort by it: Nor will any wise Man be without it, since 'tis not only powerful in Curing, but admirable to Prevent most Diseases; 'tis not only Profitable but Pleasant.

And now if some malevolent Detractor shall dispraise the Grapes he cannot reach, or say, Have we not Medicines sufficient in our *Dispensatory*? Have we not Learned *Physicians*, and Faithful *Pharmacopœans*? What need have we then of any new Medicine? I only answer.

What Medicine is like this, adapted to every Age and Constitution, and to most Diseases; and then so pleasant, that the most nice Pallat cannot disgust it, nor the weakest Stomach reject it? And if I prove it more Natural to the Body of Man than any other Medicine, who then can dislike it? As for Example.

The Body of this *Cordial Tincture* is no hotter than Wine, and many of the Ingredients are so cool, that the whole Composition is of equal Temper. Whatever ill Humour it meets with, it moves so gently, that it makes no Emotion of the Spirits, but comforts and refreshes the Body.

'Tis so natural to the Body, that there cannot be a more refreshing Cordial; and so kind to Nature,  
that



that it absolutely corrects all Morbifick Matter, without any trouble or molestation of business. 'Tis a proper *Vade mecum*, being a Friend at all times, and in all places; insomuch that I will never stir from home without it.

And now, Reader, know, thou hast not to do with one that will copy a Weekly Bill for the Names of Diseases, and appropriate the Cure of every Distemper to some invalid ( or no ) Medicine: But know, I abhor all such mean and Quacking Tricks.

I who have been so long ( not the meanest ) Son of *Aesculapius*, and who may boast of the Happiness to have long conversed with the greatest Masters of Medicine, will not now act so much below my self, as to insert any thing here, but what is most exactly Truth.

### *This* CORDIAL TINCTURE

*Cures the COLICK in the Stomach, Guts, Kidneys, &c*

Take Seven or Eight Spoonfuls as soon as the fit takes you, and if you have not ease in half an Hour, take Seven or Eight Spoonfuls more, and then depend upon it. If possible, get some Chicken-broth and drink after it. The Cordial will drive down the Wind and sharp Humour, and will work by Urine and Stool; and by giving Ease, will cause Sleep. A day or two after, it will be convenient to take three or four Spoonfuls at any time, either Morning or Night, which will carry off whatever remains of ill in your Body.

### NEPHRITICK PAINS.

Whereby is caused violent Pain in the Back, Loins, Bladder, &c. with frequent Vomiting, and all the Symptoms

Symptoms of the Stone, and is scarcely known from the Stone.

Take five or six Spoonfuls of this *Cordial Tincture*, and drink Chicken-broth, half an hour or an hour after, and you will be helped. Twelve hours after, take three or four Spoonfuls of the *Cordial*, if you are not cured by the first Dose, assure thy self the second will not fail thee.

*STONE in the Kidneys, Ureters, Bladder, and Neck of the Bladder.*

I need not name the Symptoms; every unhappy Mortal, who has felt this Distemper, knows to their cost how great the Torment. Yet, God be praised, this *Cordial Tincture* can clear the Body from Stones, brings away great Quantities of Gravel, hinders the coagulating of Gravel and slimy Humours, (which generate Stones) hinders all retention of Humours in the Kidneys, Ureters, Bladder, and prevents Stoppages in the Neck of the Bladder.

Pray observe, That in this Distemper you are to take but two or three Spoonfuls of the *Tincture* at a time, and that you take two or three Spoonfuls every two hours in a violent Fit, and be sure to drink some Chicken-broth between every Dose, or for want of the Broth drink warm Ale, which will be the better, if you add to half a Pint of Ale, one Spoonful of Oyl of Sweet-Almonds. And pray observe, so soon as the Stone has passed, then you need not take above one Spoonful of the *Tincture* in a day; and let your Diet be Water-gruel, or Barley-Gruel, or Chicken-broth. Moreover it would be very proper for those who can dispence with the Charge,

Charge, to Bathe with the *Tincture* in their Bodies, after the passing of the Stone. But above all, take heed of too violently precipitating the Stone, which as proved dangerous to many; But fear not this medicine, using the foresaid Directions. But in those its which are more mild, you need not take the medicine above twice a day; and in more moderate cases, once in a day three or four Spoonfuls. And for those Bodies who are only subject to Gravel, twice a Week may be sufficient, to clear the Body of that, which upon the least Cold may prove more troublesome than they imagine.

*Admirable for the L U N G S.*

Helps Difficulty in Breathing, cleanses from putrid Flegm, and enables Expectoration; sweetens the breath, by carrying away all putrid Flegm from the Lungs, in a word, is a Balsamick Liquor, that both cleanseth, and heals, and fortifies; which will be proved, by taking two Spoonfuls in a Morning, and then either going about your Business abroad, or using some gentle Exercise at home. This Noble Liquor will open your obstructed Vessels, and Evacuate whatever Humour offends, both by spitting up much foul Matter, and carrying the rest down by Urine and Stool, without any hindrance of Business. But for those who have long been afflicted with Diseases of the Lungs, it will be convenient for them to take this *Tincture*, not only in the Morn, but at Noon, about an hour after Dinner, one Spoonful, and at Night one Spoonful more, and so to continue for the space of one Week, which will give certain Relief. 'Tis most deplorable

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ble to see how many are lost daily ( for want of taking care in time ) of Distempers of this nature : For 'tis well known to the Ablest Physicians, that few call for help in this Case, untill by continually coughing some Vessel is burst, so that they are many times nigh bleeding to death. Others underge the Malady till their Lungs are ulcerated ; that if they would but in time take this precious *Tincture* might easily overcome the Disease. *Englishmen* ought to consider, that they live in a Place where Distempers of the Lungs are scarce to be avoided and nothing is so proper as this *Tincture* to preserve For it fortifies by its Comfortable Quality, by its Aperient Quality it makes way for Nature to throw off offending Humours, and by its Balsamick Quality it eases the inflamed and raw Parts, as they well know, who have found succour from it, in taking away soon the roughness and soreness of the *Aspera Arteria*.

### *Cures the SCURVET,*

Which is become universal, and not only afflicted by its own ( and those too many ) Symptoms, but being complicated with other Distempers, makes them more difficultly admit of cure. And indeed so very common this Disease is among us, that I might almost spare the labour of repeating any of its Symptoms : For who doth not daily see many languish away, being enervated by the cruelty of this Distemper ? Their Faces become livid, their Voices lost, the whole Body emaciated, almost every Part of the Body discoloured by blue or else brown

a- brown Spots, like Tetters, appearing in many  
e: Parts, and in some, causing Pains like the Venereal  
at Disease. What is there then can root up such a  
ly Malady, but this famous *Cordial Tincture*, which  
a absolutely eradicates all Scorbutick Taints, by open-  
g ing Obstructions, evacuating the offending Humour,  
i and corroborating the Parts lately affected? And  
re this it will do, if you take of it five or six Spoonfuls  
es at a time, either Morn or Evening, three times a  
er Week.

*Cures the DROPSIE.*

ve By evacuating the Watry Humour, both by Urine,  
it Stool, and Pores of the Skin. It not only brings  
ow down the great Swellings of the whole Body, but  
a it strengthens the Liver, and amends the ill quality  
ey of it, refreshing all the Noble Parts, making the  
i Body lively, and more apt for Exercise, carrying off  
th all Crudities that hinder the perfect Concoction.  
Pray observe, That this Distemper is seldom perfectly  
cured, by reason the Liver being once debili-  
tated, is continually subject to relapsing. Now  
Et this Noble *Tincture* hath a particular Quality to re-  
ou store and amend the ill-tempered Liver, by which  
ke means the Cure becomes perfect. And therefore  
ee you must in this Case take of the Medicine every  
t l day five or six Spoonfuls in a Morn, and one or two  
o at Night, for ten days together, drinking at Meals  
ny Wormwood-Wine, ( the poorer sort Wormwood-  
o Beer. ) You may drink Coffee, Sage, or Tea af-  
eiter it, if you please; and may observe, That as  
off your Distemper goes off, you may decrease the Dose.

*Cures*

*Cures* MELANCOLY.

Whereby the Body is dis-spirited, and become unfit for Action, the Flesh wasted, Sleeps disturbed with horrid Dreams and frightful Imaginations, which makes even Life it self uneasy. The multitudes of Accidents attending this Distemper, are too many here to repeat ; and what dismal Accidents have happened by reason of it, are so much known, as may save my labour in this particular. But let all those who are under this Indisposition, take this Chearing *Tincture*, which will give Spirit to the Body and Ease to the Mind, by refreshing the Spirits both Animal and Vital, removing all black and foul Choler from the Vessels, opening all Stoppages, and evacuating the offending Humour, by taking of it twice a Week, four or five Spoonfuls at a time, and following your usual Occasions, as if you had took nothing.

*Helps the* SPLEEN,

A most troublelome, and almost universal Disease, which few or none are without, and yet scarce any will own; a Distemper alway complicated, ushering man other Diseases into the Body, whose various effects would swell to a Volume, should I recount them. The anxiety of the Mind is it self enough to torture any, but the oppression caused by the pent up Wind is intollerable, the uneasiness of the Body, takes away the injoyment of the Mind. Nor doth Friends, Relations, a hearty Bortle, or any thing else, give relief, like this wonderful *Cordial Tincture*. Three Spoonfuls of this Liquor doth immediately dispel the Wind, cheers the Heart, w  
refreshing

refreshing all the Faculties, and carries off the cause of the Disease. Let all those who would live free from this troublesome Disease, be often taking of this famous *Tincture*, which will not only give relief in the very height of this Disease, but by the frequent use of it, will eradicate the very worst of it.

### *This CORDIAL TINCTURE*

Is most admirable for those Men, who either by Discontinuance, or by Distemper, or by the ill Constitution of their Bodies, become debilitate in the Conjugal Duty. For one Spoonful or two, taken once in a day, doth carry away all cold indigested Humours, stirs up the Native Heat, and by creating a good Stomach, and helping Digestion, gives spirits to the Body, and restores the Generative Faculty.

### *DISEASES of WOMEN*

Are cured by this Liquor; for it helps all Indigestions and opens Obstructions, causing a fresh and lively Colour in the Cheeks and Lips, and takes away the stoppages. It cleanseth the Womb from all cold and indigested Humours, which causes Barrenness (and sometimes turns the Womb into Stone; as I found in a Person of Quality, who I opened in the presence of Doctor D. of St. Martins-lane, and found her Womb petrified, and that so hard that my Knife could not penetrate it.) This Lady had been three times married, and always to strong lively Men; but had *Hercules* been her Husband, she had been still Childless; and no doubt this was occasioned by some cold humour falling on the Womb which by degrees turned it to Stone; and no doubt  
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but the same may, or has happened to others, but not discovered for want of Dissection. Now I advise all Women that are not blessed with fruitfulness, that they use this *Tincture* once in three or four Days, three or four Spoonfuls, which has power to carry away all crude Humours, to restore the languishing Spirits, to quicken and stir up the native heat, and to prevent those Accidents which make them reproached even by their own Sex.

### WORMS,

In Persons of all Ages, for 'tis well known many are afflicted with this Disease besides Children, and may be observed by the gnawings and tortions in the Guts, which some ignorant People think only the Gripes, but indeed are Worms, which if not speedily removed, destroy the miserable Patient. Which danger may be prevented by taking of the *Tincture* four or five Spoonfuls, which will carry away the Worms, together with all Viscous Humours, of which they are generated; and for little Children, let their Mothers or Nurses give them of this Noble Cordial, forty or fifty drops in some Hartshorn Posset-drink, once in a day, for three or four days together, and they will find comfort by it, especially if they rub a little of the Cordial upon the Navel and Belly of the Child, and to Children of two or three years old, two or three Spoonfuls may be given once in two days.

Nor need the Good-fellow lie Puking in a Morning after the enjoyment of a hearty Bottle; for two or three Spoonfuls of this Liquor taken the Morning after



after a Deboish, carries away whatever offends the Stomach. In a word, this is the Cordial fitting to be took after a Surfeit, either of Wine or Victuals.

*The GOUT,*

Although this Liquor hath so many Noble Qualities, yet I dare not say it will cure the Gout, for I well know some Gouts are incurable, and most are so stubborn, that they daily baffle choice Medicines, so that few or none have got Reputation by attacking this Disease; and most conclude the best way is to needle least, this Distemper chiefly requiring Patience and abstinence; yet I must affirm that I have helped many in raging Fits, by Bleeding some in the every Part, and others in Parts remote from the Pain; many I have relieved by Blistering, either in the every Part, or near it; but I cannot boast of absolutely curing many: Yet for the Benefit of mankind, this I assert, That the best Remedy in the World to prevent the Gout, is this *Cordial Tincture*; and doubt not but the using it, will eradicate such Gouts as are not become inveterate. As for Example: All Men know, the Gout is in some a tough viscid Humour, in others a thin, acrid, gnawing Humour, and in many so very crude, that in time it becomes Chalky, and by clogging the Tendons and Nervous Parts, it destroys Motion, making the Patient a miserable Cripple.

Now those that would be free from this woful Malady, let them accustom their Bodies to this *Tincture*, which will certainly preserve those that yet are free, ( and as I said before ) cure those whose Gouts are not already confirmed. For this *Tincture* cleanseth

cleanseth the Joynts from all slimy Humours, c  
rieth away Choler, Flegm, and all acrid Juices, a  
sweetens the Blood to a miracle ; and therefore is  
proper Remedy for the *Gout* of any sort, either tak  
Night or Morning, once in three days, four or f  
Spoonfuls at a time, keeping a low Diet.

### KINGS EVIL

Is helped by the frequent Use of this *Tincture*.  
may be observed, That of all Ages, Sexes, and C  
stitutions, some are afflicted with this *Evil*; but  
major part of these Patients are Children, a  
Flegmatick Persons: And 'tis to be noted, T  
Children, as the natural heat encreases, do by  
grees throw off the Malignity of the *Evil*; and t  
Ulcers which formerly would not yield to m  
Noble Medicines, yet at last are easily cured. IV  
among others the Case differs: For some wh  
Blood are vitiated, all the Humours corrupted t  
still worse and worse, notwithstanding the fruit  
Endeavours of their ignorant Undertakers.  
he that would cure this Disease, must amend c  
Blood by such Medicines as are Specificks. NV  
this admirable *Tincture* doth help to digest the fi  
est of the Sores ; for it encourages the Nati  
Heat, animates the Spirits to throw off Infecti  
and purges all flegmatick and glutinous Juices. H  
most proper to take three or four Spoonfuls, tv  
a Week, in this Disease: And if the Parts affe  
were fomented with this Liquor, the Patient wo  
find it worth his Labour. a

### VOMITING and GRIPING of the GUTS.

Is most certainly Cured by this *Tincture*. Five M

fix spoonfuls taken immediatly, stops the Vomiting; and soon Purges downwards the Humour that disturbs the Body. Fear not to take it, because your Gripes has given you many stools; for this will carry away the sharp Humour, and comfort the Bowels to a Miracle: If you are not Cured in an hour, take six or seven spoonfuls more, which will not fail you. I could insert the Names of many, Cured by this *Tincture*, when no man expected any thing but Death.

Let all those that drink the Waters, be sure to prepare their Bodies, by taking three or four times of this *Tincture*. And those with whom the Waters do not pass according to their Expectation, let them take four or five Spoonfuls of the *Tincture*, which will comfort the Stomach, and help the Expulsive Faculty. And after a Course of Waters, there is nothing like this *Tincture*, to carry off what ever ill the Waters have left.

I could say much more of the Vertues of this Excellent *Tincture*; but I think I have obliged the World sufficiently in this.

'Tis to be observed, that this *Cordial Tincture* will retain its Vertue many Years, if kept close stopp'd, and will not be altered by any Climate. How good it is for Sea-men in long Voyages, is sufficiently known.

To shew the World I am not Covetous, I have allowed this incomparable *Tincture* at half a Crown a Bottle, each Bottle containing exactly half a Pint.

This *Cordial Tincture*, is sold at my House in St. Martins-Lane ( being the BATHING-HOUSE )  
near

near *Long-Acre*. Those that live distant from me may send by the *Penny-Post*, or otherwise. I have sealed up each Bottle with the Arms of my Family

*And for the Conveniency of Persons more remote I have caused this famous Tincture to be sold, By*

**M**Rs. Ade, in *Auburn*.

Mr. Edward Duck, Barber near the Mark house in *Marlborough*.

Mr. John Sherfield, Shop-keeper in *Barnet*.

Mr. John Hamling, in *Hangerford*.

Mr. Church Simons, Bookseller at the Bridge-Foot *Newbury*.

Mr. Thomas Biddle, Shop keeper in *Sun-Lane, Reding*.

Mr. Joseph Stevens, Barber in *Henly*.

Mr. William Bates, Shop-keeper in *Maiden-Head*.

Mr. John Ould, at the *Kings-Arms* in *Uxbridge*.

Mr. Gabriel Sheath, at the *Green-Dragon* in *Wheatst*.

Mr. James Ramridge, Barber-Surgeon in *St. Alba*.

Mr. Joseph Faircloth, Grocer in *Hatfield*.

Mrs. Mary Hebs, Draper in *Woburn*.

Mr. James Rhett, Barber in *Amthill*.

Mr. George Maddy, Grocer in *Bedford*.

Mr. John Clark, Iron-Monger in *Stony-stratford*.

Mrs. Anne Poundall, Barber-Surgeon in *Buckingham*.

Mr. Edmund Potter, Iron-Monger in *Bicester*.

Mr. Peter Francklin, Barber-Surgeon in *Woodst*.

Mr. William Cheyney, Shop-keeper in *Abington*.

Mr. James Nichols, Jun. Barber in *Oxford* near *Conduit*.

Mr. Francis Penstone, Woolen-Draper in *Wantage*.

Mr. Thomas Knighton, Grocer, in *Langborn*.

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